

# SPOKE

Conestoga College, Monday, December 18, 1989

A husband and wife team study together in Conestoga's electronics engineering program. See page four.

Broadcasting students' Metal Mike Show makes its debut in the Doon cafeteria. See page five.

## Nearly 7,000 students quit province-wide

By Brian Shypula

Conestoga College lost 4.7 per cent of its diploma students during the faculty strike, the third lowest percentage of Ontario's 22 community colleges, according to statistics compiled by the Ministry of Colleges and Universities.

The college's 165 dropouts numbered among 6,923 students across the province withdrawing from diploma programs between Oct. 18 and Nov. 24. Overall, this total represented 7.1 per cent of full-time college enrolment.

Algonquin College in Ottawa was the hardest hit, losing 853 students for nearly 10 per cent of its enrolment.

Robbin Durrell, the director of marketing and public affairs at Algonquin, said approximately 85

per cent of dropouts at Algonquin were first-year students. He added refunding tuition fees and the loss of provincial grant money per student will "obviously affect the college two years down the road."

"It hurts but we're (Algonquin management) not surprised," Durrell said, explaining the college's usual withdrawal rate is approximately six per cent, and that a higher rate was expected because of the strike.

"We're haven't seen anything startling," he added.

Loyalist College in Belleville was another college losing a significant number of students. With a full-time enrollment of 2,389, Loyalist lost 194 students or 8.1 per cent, the second highest withdrawal rate.

Brian Carr, Loyalist's registrar,

said the ministry's full-tuition refund plan "certainly did give students incentive to drop out earlier."

He said Loyalist had 73 dropouts during the same period last year, but that it was difficult to measure the direct impact of the additional dropouts.

Carr explained Loyalist had the third highest growth rate in enrolment for September, and the large percentage of dropouts could be an "evening-out." He added the college was also expecting a lower than normal dropout rate at Christmas.

"It's a question of reimbursement by the ministry," said Carr, explaining the financial impact on the colleges can be reduced if the province supplies extra funding to colleges two years from now.

Other colleges losing large numbers of students were Seneca, Humber and Sheridan Colleges in Toronto. All three lost 7.7 to 7.8 per cent of their enrolment.

In contrast, Lambton College in Sarnia lost 4.3 per cent of its students. The 77 withdrawals were the fewest across the province.

Nancy Acheson, the director of public relations at Lambton, said the college made an effort to personally contact each student during the strike, but they weren't sure what to expect.

She explained Lambton lost 20 per cent of its students during the 1984 teachers' strike, the largest total in the province.

Acheson added the college normally loses two to three per cent of students each year so "the strike didn't have much effect."

Peter Wright, director of college affairs at the Ministry of Colleges and Universities, said five to 5.3 per cent of students withdraw each year on average.

He said the higher rate due to the strike is "not all that significant because the audit date was Nov. 1." The ministry annually audits each college's enrolment Nov. 15 to determine the amount of funding it will receive two years later. Because the majority of students dropped out after Nov. 1, Wright said there will be minimal financial impact.

He added the ministry will not reimburse colleges for students lost due to the strike. It would be difficult explaining to taxpayers they are paying for a student who should have been at college but isn't, Wright said.

## VIP day to be repeated

By Terra Crowley

An estimated \$7,000 was spent for VIP day held Dec. 5, according to Jennifer Leith, manager of college liaison services.

Although a final cost is yet to be determined, Leith contends the estimate is too high.

"Originally we wanted about 1,200 students, but we fell a little short which worked out better for everyone," she said.

Close to 900 regional high school students attended the visitors information day held at Doon, Guelph and Waterloo campuses. The VIP day offered prospective students the opportunity to gain a working knowledge of the college and its programs through a series of workshops.

It was organized to present a personal approach, said Leith.

In the past, students from high schools could visit Conestoga's "mini" VIP days for individual programs. However, the schools found it difficult permitting students to attend various program workshops held on different days. "Having only one big day lets us put everything we've got into it," she said. "We still have two or three small tours every week as well as our information sessions at the high schools."

Leith has received a few letters of congratulations and thanks from some schools that attended.

"Normally with these type of events you can anticipate problems," she said. "So far all the response has been positive."

The assistance from peer helpers eased the fear of congestion created by lost students in the hallways. According to Leith, there were 12 peer helpers at Doon campus and approximately four or five students at Waterloo campus assisting with the day's events.

"The students didn't have to worry about where they were going because the peer helpers

were working at every entrance at an information booth," Leith said.

Approximately half the students attended their originally scheduled workshop. Next year, Leith said she would like to add more students to each workshop so everyone gets to attend their first choice if they wish.

Currently, the students rank which workshops they would like to attend and ultimately receive three of their choices.

"You have to run through it once to see how it works," Leith said. "We will do it again."

## RNA wins scholarship

By John Freitas

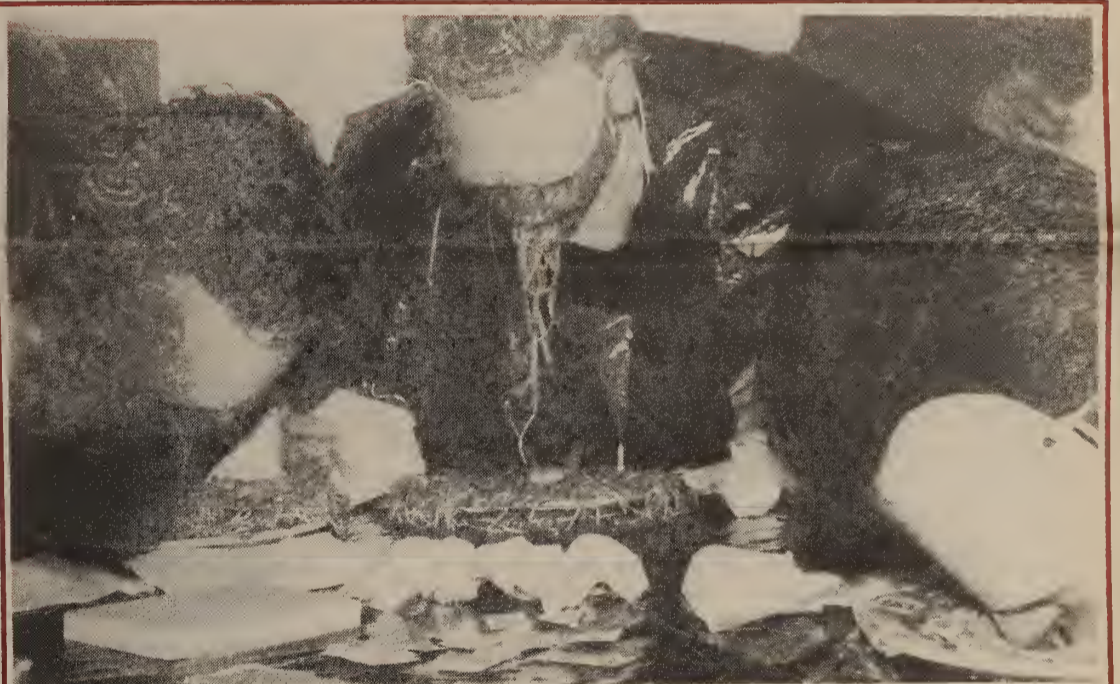
A graduate of Conestoga College's part-time registered nursing assistant program was the recipient of a versary-care scholarship award Dec. 5.

Juanita Fergusson received the award during a ceremony held at Cambridge's Riverbend Place, a multi-level care seniors community co-owned by Cambridge Memorial Hospital and Versa-Care Ltd.

"We are a care and service industry and we acknowledge that our employees are our most important asset," said Marg Dykeman, administrator at Riverbend and presenter of the award.

"Our own RNAs are very important to us. That's why the scholarship was started," she added.

The award is presented to a student who has achieved a minimum Grade B average, demonstrated a well-defined interest and ability in the area of the care of the aged in a health-care setting, with a special emphasis placed on effective communications. A committee of three people choose the winner, along with direct input from faculty.



## Look mom, no hands!

Spaghetti-eating contestants head face-first into their heaps of pasta. The contest, held Dec. 6 at the Doon campus, was part of the Doon Student Association's Christmas week. See page five for story.

(Photo by Brian Shypula/Spoke)

## College funding to increase 8%

By John Freitas

The Ontario government will award an eight-per-cent increase in operating grants to post-secondary institutions, according to Sean Conway, minister of colleges and universities.

The province will provide \$1.8 billion in operating grants to universities and related institutions and \$754.4 million in operating grants to colleges in 1990-91. These figures represent respective increases of \$134 million and \$56 million over the 1989-90 allocations.

"These increases in operating grants demonstrate this

government's on-going commitment to an accessible post-secondary education by substantially raising transfer payments to both colleges and universities," Conway said recently.

The increased grants will enhance support for projected enrolment increases, increased accessibility for disabled persons and an extension of French language and bilingual programs, Conway said.

In addition, the money will allow Ontario's universities to appoint 60 new faculty members, and meet the ministry's faculty renewal program goal of hiring 500 new people over a five-year period ending in 1990.

The Ontario Council on University Affairs will provide advice on the distribution of these funds and all institutions will be informed of their allocations early in the new year.

The province will also increase standard tuition fees by eight per cent in 1990-91 to remain in line with the increased operating grants.

According to Conway, students will be eligible for assistance under the Ontario Student Assistance Program.

The province will also transfer \$122.7 million in capital grants to post-secondary institutions, he said.

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### Does Santa Claus count shopping days?

By Brian Shypula

Ontario's Liberal government has done what is physically impossible—they have created more days in a year.

However, certain guidelines must be put on their accomplishment. Given society is driven by a desire to have more, and given this need can be satisfied through shopping; the Liberals have given Ontarians Sunday shopping, more days in a year to spend even more money.

Unfortunately, there are difficulties with a democratic system, particularly distributing equal rights to everyone. Therefore, only some Ontarians have access to Sunday shopping.

This will eventually create a dilemma of epic proportions: Just how many more shopping days are left until Christmas?

In the past, one didn't have to guess. Sometime near Halloween, Christmas decorations appeared on downtown city streets. Next, a Santa Claus parade in early November reminded children to start their Christmas lists. Finally, kind-hearted merchants, fully aware of the anxiety that comes with meeting a deadline, prominently displayed countdowns on how many shopping days were left to the fateful day for giving socks and underwear.

Now, only confusion can reign. Can one shop at Fairview Mall and not Conestoga? Or vice versa? What about the new mall in London? Will it be open Sunday? What if one wants to be creative and buy those unique(expensive) gifts at small-town specialty stores? Will one be able to make a Sunday pilgrimage to Ontario's shopping Mecca, the Eaton's Centre in Toronto?

Eventually, there will be a solution, but not from the government. Some ambitious entrepreneur will market a Consumers Guide to Sunday Shopping in Ontario. It could be indexed countless ways. Ontario could be divided into time zones just like Canada is. Imagine Daylight SuperSavings Time or MasterCard Plastic Time. It could also be grouped according to the type of goods sold, anywhere from furs to stereos to last minute shopping for a turkey at the local supermarket.

With the purchase of each guide, buyers could get a free pocket calculator/calendar/clock/metric converter/personal computer enabling them to determine how many shopping days are left until Christmas no matter where they are in Ontario.

Unfortunately, there is still one problem: Will book stores be open on Sunday?

Who knows? But at least shoppers will be able to spend their last couple of dollars at their favorite bar, open two hours longer on Sundays from now on.

## OPINION

### Society must learn from massacre at University of Montreal

By Jennifer Motz

Isolated, a symptom is not treatable. It must be examined as a sign of an underlying problem. If the symptom is left untreated, or worse yet, treated as a separate entity, the disease will eventually surface and spread.

Marc Lepine's bloody shooting rampage through the halls of the University of Montreal, where he killed 14 women while ranting against feminists, was not an aberration. Rather, it is a symptom of a diseased society in which resentment and contempt for women is acted upon by some of its members.

The Montreal police, in attempting to piece together Lepine's psychotic personality, discovered court documents from his parents' divorce. They portray his father as a man who treated Lepine's mother as subservient and who both mentally and physically abused her.

Lepine's background would suggest learned behavior. The disease that infected his father no doubt spread to Lepine, and was fed by society's acceptance. It is horrifying to think how many others are affected.

Over 90 per cent of violent crimes committed are perpetrated by men against women. Rape and wife beating continue to threaten countless women.

Some men feel so emasculated by women's attempts to gain equality in the workforce, economic parity and social acceptance as intelligent, contributing members of society, that they systematically set out to sabotage and punish those they feel are responsible for their insecurities.

Perhaps in the wake of this tragedy something positive will result.

Perhaps people will realize that the feminist movement is not the cause of the disease, but that these women, and indeed men, have waged a battle to counteract a now realized, deadly disease.

Perhaps those who have refused to admit there is a problem or those who have enjoyed the spoils of the battle while riding on the coattails of the women's movement will be moved to initiate some small change.

As a society we must ensure that the disease does not spread. Otherwise, everyone is doomed.



## Santa Claus: This article was written especially for you



By Andrea Buckley

Hey Santa! Are you reading? I realize you're busy these days but I know you read Spoke faithfully so I thought I'd save myself a stamp and give you my Christmas list right here on page two. My behavior has been acceptable this year so I figure I can ask for something pretty heavy.

I've been thinking about this for a long time. In fact, ever since the pink and green duck boots arrived under the tree last year,

I've been trying to get suggestions in to the authorities well in advance.

At first I thought a car would be nice. An R-X7, maybe. But then I thought about Bugsy shivering in a lonely wrecker's yard and it played havoc on my conscience.

A new pair of skis came to mind. I thought that if the elves weren't too swamped with trying to produce mass amounts of polyurethane Rossignol requests, you could squeeze a pair in for me. Then I realized you had to be good to go mogul-bashing in a pair of brand new, flashy skis. That eliminated me.

I also considered a vacation. I've been really working hard lately—with school work, my part-time job and helping out with shovelling all that snow we've had piling up

on the doorstep. A week in the sun would be a perfect change of scenery for a weary editor. I could soak up the sun, do some surfing and drink some of that southern rum that you can light on fire. Two more weeks of school I hadn't counted on destroyed that dream.

Last night I came to a conclusion in the midst of a social Christmas warm-up event. I was out with a few friends for a drink at a local pub. It was darts night and the bar was full of couples huddled around score cards—smoking, drinking, swearing and not caring.

In the middle of the main thoroughway to the kitchen, sat a boy with ruffed hair, mismatched socks and a tear-streaked pink face. Waitresses juggled their trays and stepped around him like he was a mess that some

over-drinking customer had made on the already-stained carpet. His cries got louder and more carefully aimed in the direction of the dart boards, until his mother left her draught and rushed over to him.

A slap to the side of the boy's blond head was all the comfort she gave.

So this year for Christmas, Mr. Claus, one small wish is all I have—for that little boy to be happy on Christmas morning. If he doesn't get all the Ninja Turtles or the G.I. Joe gear he asked for, that's okay.

Just bring him something that will make him smile. One more smiling child in the world can't hurt a thing.



Liz Hermle, a third-year management studies student, gets into the Christmas spirit by donating a toy to the DSA toy drive. (Photo by Sharon Slater/Spoke)

## CD prize to help toy drive

By Sharon Slater

A draw for a compact disc player is part the Doon Student Association's promotion of the Salvation Army toy drive.

For each new or used toy that is donated to the Salvation Army, a ballot will be filled out and entered in a draw to win the CD player, said Cheryl Davenport, activities co-ordinator for the toy drive.

The donation could also be a minimum of \$2. The draw will be held Dec. 20 at noon in the

cafeteria and there will be one entry allowed per person.

"The odds of winning the CD player (are) really good," said Davenport. She said the CD player is not donated, but has been purchased by the association. "We thought it would be a good gesture at Christmas to give away a CD player."

Davenport added the box for donations is outside the activities office. Ballots are kept in the activities office and only a few bal-

lots have been filled out.

Davenport said toys should be in "fairly good condition" when donated.

"We have a few used toys in the box that are in great condition," she said.

The association is promoting the draw by passing flyers explaining the details.

"I think people donate money and toys anyway, but the draw is a chance to thank those people who have donated the toys," Davenport said.

## Jimi lives

By Shari MacMullin

The Doon campus cafeteria rocked to the sound of Jimi Avon and his guitar at a nooner Dec.4.

Avon appeared wearing his trademark hat, similar to the one worn by Stevie Ray Vaughn. During the hour that he performed, Avon played songs by Neil Young, Bob Seger, David Wilcox and an excellent recreation of Van Morrison's Brown Eyed Girl.

Avon took his guitar and wandered into the crowd once or twice, asking the audience to sing along. He continued to entertain the crowd by picking his guitar with his teeth and playing while holding his guitar behind his head.

Several of the students requested songs and Avon did his best to play the ones he knew. During the show, it was obvious that Avon was really enjoying himself.

"Playing for college students helps keep me young," said Avon, who has been playing the guitar full-time for 15 years and has two albums out with a third one on its way. He learned how to play the guitar mainly by watching other people play.

When asked if there is any connection between the spelling of his name and the spelling of Jimi Hendrix's name, he said he saw Jimi's name printed and loved the spelling, so he changed the spelling of his name.

Avon said he would like to continue to play full-time visiting colleges in the area and will probably work on another album.

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## Books to go to India

By Cindy Madill

Conestoga students and faculty can help develop an Ontario-style community college system in India by donating text books this week.

Raja Vaidyanathan, the project's co-ordinator, said the books will be used to help stock a learning resource center at the Kothari Academy for Women in Madras, India.

The academy, which is in the process of becoming a community college, needs business, early childhood education, nursing, and computer text books. The books can be dropped in room 1B18-19.

"It will be good if we get 300 to 500 books on the various subjects," said Vaidyanathan.

The three-year, non-profit project enters its second stage of planning in February when officials from Conestoga will visit and help set up programs.

College president John Tibbitts will visit the academy and the Medical Research Foundation, also in Madras, to help set up a nursing program emphasizing treatment of eyes.

Donna McKenna, chairman of preparatory programs at Conestoga, will also take part in the four to five week project by setting up an early childhood education pro-

gram at the academy as well as an ophthalmic nursing assistant program at the foundation.

"The academy will train women for a job that requires some sort of education," said Vaidyanathan who plans to help design a curriculum geared to address the needs of the community.

"We will exchange ideas and hope in the end we will choose meaningful programs," he added.

Currently, there are 500 students and 80 faculty members at the academy. Plans are for the academy to act as a model institute for other cities, eventually leading to a polytechnic-college linkage program, which would link 10 Indian polytechnics with 10 Canadian community colleges, including Conestoga.

"Yet having regard to Indian traditions, we can't upset their culture," said Vaidyanathan.

The programs must be translated into Indian context and because India can't afford three-year programs, they would be put to scale.

The \$250,000 project is funded by the Association of Canadian Community Colleges and CIDA, the Canadian International Development Agency.

"It will be a real contribution to India," said Vaidyanathan.

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# Nicaraguan couple determined

By Jennifer Motz

If one word could describe second-year electronics engineering technology students Rosario and Tonatiu Abrego, it would be determined.

The couple and their two children immigrated to Canada from El Salvador three years ago, with hopes for a brighter future. They learned to speak English in four months through a course offered at Conestoga College.

While they must still deal with a language barrier, the couple manage to juggle full-time studies with the added pressures of parenthood and marriage. Their schedule can be harrowing.

Working around their children's routine and the inevitable household chores, the Abregos often study from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. They recall many nights, particularly last year, when they didn't leave the college until 11:30 p.m.

"And I feel so bad when somebody says I'm lazy, well, people in the family, because they don't see what we do. Sometimes we go to McDonald's and we buy a hamburger and they say, 'Why do you go to McDonald's? You have hamburger here.' But we can't explain that we don't have the time," Tonatiu said.

The Abregos have been married for five years and admit they do get "mad and frustrated" with one another at times, especially when they are working together on a major assignment.

"We know that if we are patient with each other we will get through this again. We have to," Rosario said.

They are no strangers to studying together. They were both enrolled in engineering programs at a university in El Salvador. Rosario had completed two years of a five-year electrical program and Tonatiu was a thesis away from earning his degree in mechanical engineering.

They had considered attending the University of Waterloo when they arrived in Canada. Tonatiu, who won a nationally televised contest in El Salvador for his opera singing, had even auditioned to



The Abregos demonstrate a robot they recently designed for a computer interfacing class. (Photo by Jennifer Motz/Spoke)

enter a music program but the cost of university was prohibitive.

Their decision to attend Conestoga College, they said, was based on practical considerations.

While Tonatiu would like to complete his degree in mechanical engineering and perhaps pursue music, the couple agree that the hands-on experience they are receiving by working in the labs will better prepare them for the workforce and for the business they eventually hope to open.

Studying together has also enabled the couple to help each other understand the language and the material.

"This year it is a little bit better but last year the language was a problem," said Rosario. "The electives were very hard. We would study the blackboard and try to guess; we would catch a few words and say 'Oh! they're talking about this'." Rosario added they appreciate efforts by teachers to help

explain words they couldn't understand.

The Abregos also have an English teacher at home—their daughter, three-and-a-half, who they said is constantly correcting them.

The couple miss their homeland and family and friends who remain there. But they are happy living in Canada and excited by the opportunities that exist for themselves and their children socially, economically and educationally.

"This is a country that cares about people and that is very important. Not every country can do that," Tonatiu said.

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## Congratulations to Christmas Week Winners!

### Pass The Parcel Game

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Cathy Brewer Lasa Yr.1

Bob Shelp Lasa Yr.2



### Spaghetti Eating Contest

#### Cafeteria Winners

Tracey Gurber Nursing Yr.1

Frank Gallizzi Accounting Yr.3

#### Student Lounge Winners

Dave Roch Construction Yr.2

Terry Roth Mechanical Engineering Yr.1

# Metal Mike Spaghetti snorters premieres

By Sharon Slater

Broadcasting-radio and television students' self-produced variety show, The Metal Mike Show, made its debut Nov. 6 in the Doon cafeteria amidst egg nog and Christmas cookies.

The project, undertaken by Mike Coughlan, Jeff Hodson and Steve Roth, gave students an opportunity during the strike to do something constructive.

Three monitors, placed at strategic places in the cafeteria, gave students a chance to see Metal Mike in action.

The production was approximately one hour long and featured rock news, where Gayle O'Brien brought students exciting moments in rock 'n' roll history.

Also included in the show were mock weather reports, a movie report, a bake session and interviews at Doon campus during the recent faculty strike.

The show's highlight was a trip to the dentist's office where Steve Roth, audio director and editor, was filmed in the chair.

Equipped in heavy metal garb, John Lassel, Doon Student Association president was interviewed by Metal Mike (Coughlan).

Lassel said the Metal Mike premiere was excellent.

"People would eat this for breakfast. They love to see themselves on television and love to see people they know too," Lassel said.

He added the Metal Mike Show is good entertainment because the concept is casual and it makes students want to watch it.

"I think it shows the crew has commitment and initiative, because they came in during the strike," he said.

Coughlan said he was really happy with the first show.

"We had some constructive criticism and we know we can make it more polished," he said.

Roth said the show sparked a lot of curiosity.

"I think the students will become Metal Mike followers," Roth said.

Upcoming shows may include a visit with Santa Claus and Metal Mike will try his hand at reading a Christmas poem.

"Next time we would like to place a monitor in the lounge so the students in that area of the school can enjoy the show," Coughlan said.

Lassel said he would support more shows by the Metal Mike crew.

"I'm a Metal Mike fan. They're professional and dedicated and it was fun being a guest on the show."

By Brian Shypula

Six large orders of spaghetti. Hold the utensils.

This was the scene for the Doon Student Association's spaghetti-eating contests held Dec. 6, in the cafeteria and student lounge. It was also one of several DSA events celebrating the Christmas season.

Six students, outfitted with green garbage bags to protect their clothing, entered the contest in the cafeteria. The object was to eat a plate-full of spaghetti while blindfolded and without the use of cutlery. The two quickest eaters received prizes donated by Molson Breweries.

Before the eating began, Frank Gallizzi, a third-year accounting student, predicted he would win.

"I'm hungry," he said. "I haven't eaten all day."

He said his strategy would be to swallow the spaghetti whole.

However, Gallizzi managed only a distant second-place finish as Tracy Gerber, the only female in the contest, won.

The first-year nursing student commented: "I eat big," explaining she wasn't even full.

Along with the free lunch, Gerber and Gallizzi received a Molson's sweatshirt and towel, respectively, for their efforts.

The cafeteria was also the scene of a "pass-the-parcel" game Dec. 5.

A little like musical chairs, students passed a wrapped gift around while music was played. When the music stopped, whoever held the parcel could unwrap it. It was not this simple however, as the DSA covered each parcel with at least six layers of wrapping paper, much to the frustration of some of the contestants.

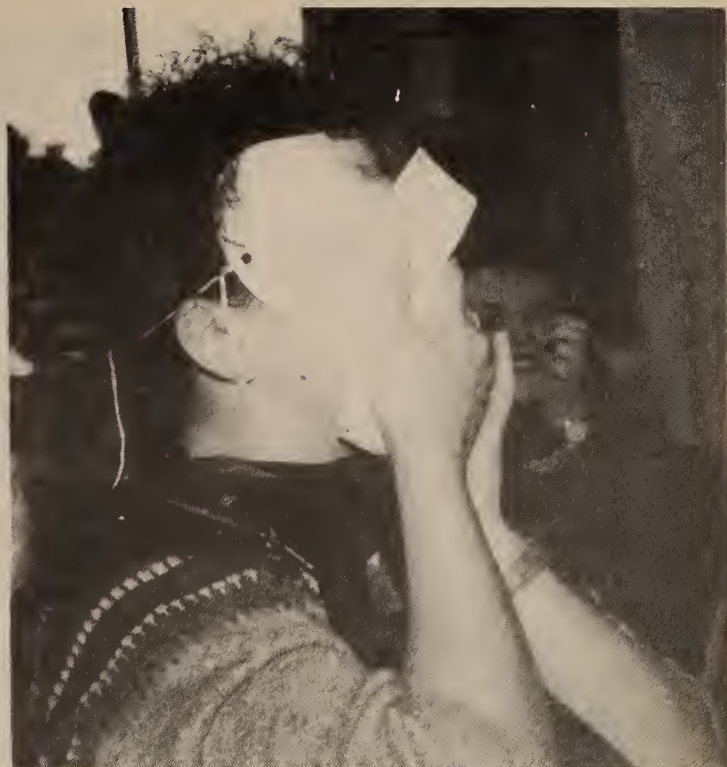
All three gifts were items of Conestoga College clothing.

Mike Malek, first-year early childhood education, won a Condors athletic shirt in game one.

Cathy Brewer, law and security administration year two, won a sweatshirt in game two.

Game three was a little different as the parcel was thrown from table to table around the cafeteria, instead of being passed among a group of people on the stage, as it was in the first two games.

It was nearly unwrapped when it landed on the table of Bob Shelp. The second-year LASA student



Tracy Gerber towels off after the Dec. 6 spaghetti eating contest.


(Photo by Brian Shypula/Spoke)

began to peel off the rest of the paper, and as the music stopped, he was declared the winner.

"I didn't know what was going on," Shelp said, but added he would wear his prize, a Condor

baseball cap.

Other events during the DSA's Christmas week were a free nooner with Jimi Avon Dec. 4 and the debut of the Metal Mike Show Dec. 7.



## THIS WEEK Dec 18-22

Reminder to donate toys to Salvation Army Toy Drive and get a chance to win a CD Player! Draw to be held Wed. Dec. 20, at 12:00 noon in the cafeteria.

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- Quebec Winter Carnival
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Party-goers at the Biz Bash take a break from dancing to have some refreshments.  
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## Biz students shed briefcases

By Tara Ziemanis

"Pump up the volume—dance, dance, dance," and they did. Ruby's seventh annual biz bash Dec. 7 proved to be one of the most successful to date.

The dedicated students in attendance braved the hot and smokey bar, all in the name of a good party, although some swore they made a sacrifice for their school.

Steve MacDonald, one of the organizers of the event, was pleased

with the turnout. "We have approximately 550 people here. It's our largest crowd so far," he said.

The students didn't seem to mind the "squishing" room only. In fact, they seemed to enjoy it. The most common heard complaint was about slow service. The sauna-like atmosphere left even the non-drinkers sprinting for the bar. Ruby's was prepared for this crisis and sold 55 oz. pitchers.

For the few non-drinkers in attendance there was plenty of enter-

tainment. The Doon Student Association vice-president, who shall remain nameless, was seen putting on a spontaneous floor show. Solid gold dancers—eat your hearts out.

Teachers were close by in case things got out of hand, although it would have been difficult to drag them off the dance floor.

In the end, the evening was judged a success, and as for the hangovers, as Meatloaf would say: "Let me sleep on it, and I'll give you an answer in the morning."

## 57 students at Waterloo VIP day

By Jill Keeling

The halls of Conestoga's Waterloo campus were decked out for the visitor information program day Dec. 5.

Christmas decorations, colorful balloons and signs welcomed a busload of students who were among 900 students from the region's high schools that took part in various workshops and seminars designed to give prospective students a working knowledge of the college and its programs.

Upon arrival, students were greeted by three peer helpers who guided them to their workshops and answered questions.

Workshop topics ranged from appliance and heat pump repair to general business. Those who attended the VIP day included high

school and mature students, as well as guidance counsellors.

June Dahmer, of student services at Waterloo, said the overall turnout was not as high as they had anticipated. "We had around 57 students, but we were expecting close to 80," she said. Dahmer wasn't sure if some students had cancelled at the last minute or had just not shown up.

Students who did attend were treated to a lunch prepared by food and beverage management students. While the students ate lunch, they were entertained by MuchMusic videos.

Dahmer said that a great deal of organization was needed to ensure everything ran on schedule, as the students were only at Waterloo for two hours, and then returned to Doon.

"It would not have been possible without the co-operation of everyone here. As a result, it was a success," she said.

Sharon Walker, a student from Southwood secondary school in Cambridge, said her guidance counsellor encouraged her to attend VIP Day.

Walker attended one technical workshop at Waterloo, then travelled back to Doon for another on business.

Although she was impressed with the college after her first visit, Walker said that she was still unsure about what type of post-secondary education she would choose.

"I thought I'd go into business," she said, "but last September I changed my mind. Now I'm not sure what I want to do."



Gary Porter, disguised as Santa Claus, hands out samples of eggnog, (sans rum), to other DSA members.  
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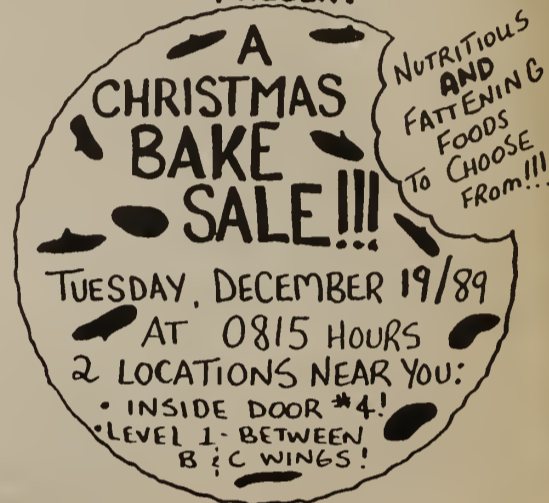
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# SPORTS

## Condor goalie injured in loss

By Mike Matthews

Conestoga's hockey Condors lost a pair of games to Penn State Dec. 1 and 2, but the biggest loss the team suffered was an injury to goaltender Marc McCallum that will sideline him until after Christmas.

In the second period of the first game, with play deep in the Conestoga zone, Condor Terry Goldsworthy was knocked into McCallum by a Penn State player. McCallum fell backwards and hit his head on the ice.

"He was lying on the ice and became numb from the waist down, so the medical staff took all the necessary precautions in getting him on a stretcher and to the hospital," said Condor coach Scott Long.

It was later discovered that a vertebrae in McCallum's back had shifted and he tore some muscles in his back when he fell.

"In all my years of hockey, whether playing or coaching, that was one of the ugliest scenes I have

ever witnessed, but fortunately he's okay," said Long, adding that McCallum would be off skates until at least January.

Todd McDougall and Kerry Near will share the goaltending duties until McCallum returns.

In both games, Penn State got off to a good start, scoring three first-period goals Dec. 1 enroute to a 4-3 victory and scoring four goals in the opening period Dec. 2 on their way to a 9-3 win.

"We silenced the large-capacity crowd with a goal in the first five minutes of the first game, but Penn bounced back with three goals," Long said.

Penalties played a major role in the game, as Penn had seven power plays and had 19 shots on the Condor net with the man advantage. "Our penalty killing unit was excellent, as Brad Chard, Jeff Coulter and Rich Goode did a great job, allowing only one goal when we were shorthanded."

Chris Murray, with two, and Coulter scored for Conestoga in

the first game.

Trailing 4-1 in the third period,

Conestoga scored two power play goals to close the gap to one goal with over seven minutes left in the game but failed to get the equalizer.

Penn State outshot Conestoga 38-26 in the game.

In the second game, Penn State scored twice in the first four minutes of play and added two more in a span of 1:20 midway through the period for a four-goal lead.

Penn State outscored Conestoga 3-2 in the second period for a 7-2 lead after 40 minutes of play.

Steve Donnelle, Brad Chard and Rob Datz scored for Conestoga, who were outshot 30-27 in the game.

"We had our opportunities but we just couldn't capitalize on them," said Long. "We didn't play a very disciplined game, as we ran up 70 minutes in penalties that hurt us and they scored three power play goals."

## Condors bounce back against Sabres

By Mike Matthews

Having lost their last three games, the hockey Condors vowed to punish the University of Buffalo Dec. 5 at Sabreland and made good on their promise with a 7-2 victory.

After a brief skirmish in the Condor end before the game started, the newest Condor, Scott Hutchinson, laid a solid bodycheck on Buffalo's Chris Scott early in the first period. Somewhat disoriented, Scott regained his feet and went to the Condor bench by mistake.

"That was the best hit of the year," said coach Scott Long. "It seemed to pick the team up and we scored shortly thereafter."

Matt Webb, Jeff Coulter and Jeff Cumming scored in the first period to give Conestoga a 3-0 lead. Two goals by Doug Liberty in the second period gave the Condors a 5-0 lead before Buffalo scored their first goal late in the period.

Buffalo scored again early in the third to cut Conestoga's lead to 5-2 before goals by Hutchinson and Rob Datz put the game away for Conestoga.

"The big key for us in this game

was discipline, as we had only 18 minutes in penalties tonight, compared to 70 minutes in our last game against Penn State," said Long.

He also praised the play of the newest Condor.

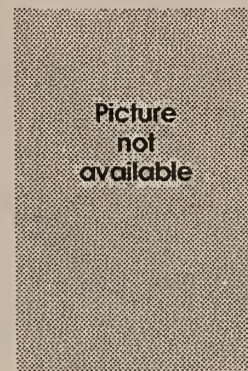
"Hutchinson played well tonight, making his presence felt with bone-crushing checks and getting a goal and two assists in the game."

Conestoga outshot Buffalo 45-21 in the game, including a 19-3 shot advantage in the second period.

The victory improves Conestoga's record to five wins and three losses.

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## Athletes of the Week



Cathy Ryan

Cathy Ryan of the women's basketball Condors is this week's female athlete of the week. Ryan was top scorer for Conestoga in last week's game against George Brown College. The point guard hit for 13 points and was active on defence, causing four George Brown turnovers. She is a first-year law and security administration student.



Scott Hutchinson

Hockey player Scott Hutchinson is the week's male athlete of the week. As they gain ground in International Collegiate Hockey League play, the Condors are finding Hutchinson a valuable asset. In two wins last week he scored three goals. He is a second-year business administration-marketing student at the Doon campus.



## Classifieds

Rates for classified ads are \$2 for 20 words or less and 20 cents per word after that. Ads must be paid in cash at the time of submission.

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There is no charge for community events.

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1985 Jeep Renegade hardtop. One owner, Good Condition \$7500 Phone 886-8572 after 6 p.m.

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## PERSONALS

Hey Lonely Guy: All Dressed up and No place to go, eh! Guess Who

Potsie: Why don't you lend Manny Quinn to the lonely guy for a night?

Metal Mike, and the gang: You are all my heroes. Love Sharon

Manny Quinn: I want to ask you to the grad formal. Would you go? Love, The Lonely Guy.

Dear Santa: I hope you read Spoke. Just thought I'd let you know that I want an autographed picture of Metal Mike, a new student card with the proper student number on it, a date calender so I can keep all my dates straight. Oh one more thing, I kinda would like a porsche.

Shoop and the crew: Keep smokin' and use the damn Oxford. A.B.

Cindy: Good luck with the Ventura. Don't forget to save those files. Slaterface.

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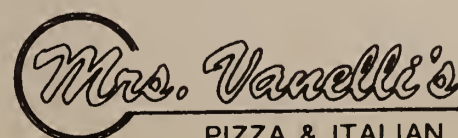
## Intramural team of the week



### Spanish Flyers - Ball hockey champs

Left to right: Chris McWade, Jim, Andrew Tinning, Javi Johnsin, Kelly Pfeiffer, Mike Kelly

Absent: The rest of the Flyers



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## The spirit of Christmas

Lee Akerlund and Melissa Prince, both five, donate food to the Food Bank at a depot set up at the ECE building at the Doon campus. The project, supervised by the daycare staff runs from Dec. 1 to 21 and over 250 items have been donated.

*The Doon Student Association  
would like to wish all students,  
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What do you remember most about the 1980's?



The space shuttle Challenger blew up.  
**Hung-Vo**  
Third-year mechanical engineering technology



The SkyDome was built.  
**Jennifer Kay**  
Third-year computer programmer analyst



The change in fashion. No more floods.  
**Lori Drannen**  
Business administration-management



The shuttle blowing up.  
**Jeff Young**  
First year machine tool setter operator



Ben Johnson losing his gold medal.  
**Mark Elson**  
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The Edmonton Oilers winning the Stanley Cup.  
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